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## Transfer Students—You're Almost Here!



We are excited to meet you at one of the upcoming Transfer Orientations, Thursday, Aug. 10, and Friday, Aug. 11, 9 a.m.–4:30 p.m., ([check out the schedule](#)) a time for you and your families to learn about everything Saint Mary's. From reading Aristotle to the smallest detail, we're here to illuminate your whole SMC way and make your transition here as smooth as possible. (Make sure to pick up your SMC water bottle—students voted on the winning design.) And don't forget we have collected all important info [in one place online at Your Path to Saint Mary's](#).

### Road Closures

Heads up! Leave some extra time to get here as several roads may be closed during orientation and move-in. Part of Moraga Way is closed 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m. weekdays near Glorietta Boulevard; traffic will be detoured around construction. The Rheem Boulevard and Center Street intersection will be closed to traffic. Detours will redirect traffic on Rheem Boulevard back to Glorietta Boulevard, and traffic on Moraga Road toward either Moraga Way or Lafayette.

## Dive In

### Get Involved

There are many ways to plunge into the Saint Mary's community and meet new people, from [joining the very vocal Gael Force sports fans](#) to [study abroad](#) and [community service with CILSA](#).

## Hot Dates

- Move-In to Campus Residence Halls, Aug. 27, 10 a.m.–6 p.m.
- Transfer Mixer, Aug. 27, 4:30–5:30 p.m., Marjorie David Ageno Hall
- Welcome Back BBQ, Aug. 27, 5:30–7 p.m., De La Salle Quad
- Alpha Mass, Aug. 27, 8 p.m., Chapel
- First Day of Classes, Aug. 28
- Transfer Student Welcome (mandatory), Aug. 29, 11:30 a.m.–1 p.m., Hagerty Lounge
- Fall Involvement Fair, Aug. 30, 12–2:30 p.m., De La Salle Lawn

## #GreenGaels Yard Sale

Still need a lamp or mini-fridge? Check out the #GreenGaels Yard Sale, [Saturday, Aug. 26](#), 12:30–7 p.m. and [Sunday, Aug. 27](#), 8 a.m.–5 p.m. on the Library lawn. Donated during last year's move-out, items range from furniture, electronics, and kitchenware to clothes and school supplies. [Learn how to get involved with sustainability on campus.](#)

## Important Things to Know



## End-of-Summer Checklist

From meal plans to parking permits, [there are lots of things you can take care of before you arrive on campus.](#)

## Housing and Dining

[Still looking for housing?](#) [Curious about dining choices on campus?](#) From living on campus to off campus, there are lots of options. You can also choose from our five-day or seven-day All You Care to Eat meal plans or Supercharged Flex Dollars, even if you live off campus. The Campus Housing Office is here to help, especially with on-campus rooms saved just for transfer students. Contact Housing at (925) 631-4241 or [housing@stmarys-ca.edu](mailto:housing@stmarys-ca.edu).

## Your Classes

We've got your back on this one. If you are not yet registered for fall courses, keep checking your voicemail and SMC email. Craig Means, director of transfer articulation, will contact you to assess credits from your previous college coursework. In the meantime, please submit the transfer Pre-Enrollment Questionnaire (PEQ) as soon as possible (preferably within three days after receiving it via email). Your major adviser will use it to get to know you before calling to

plan the rest of your path to graduation and fall semester schedule. Questions? Contact the Advising Office at [tao@stmarys-ca.edu](mailto:tao@stmarys-ca.edu).

## Check Your SMC Email Address

Keep checking your SMC email address ([abc1@stmarys-ca.edu](mailto:abc1@stmarys-ca.edu)—included in your Get Ready packet) for important information. Can't find yours? Call IT Services at (925) 631-4266 (Mon.–Fri., 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m., PST)

## Pay the Bill

Bills were sent to your online student account on GaelXpress in July. [Your balance is due Tuesday, Aug. 8.](#)

## Get Connected



## Inside Scoop

Looking for outdoor adventure? The best coffee in town? Try heading off campus to take a break, get fresh air, and explore everything from kayaking and hiking to free concerts and disc golf. For an inside peek into off-campus activities, good eats, where to buy more Gael gear, and your Student Success Office coaches, [check out the SMC Insider](#).

## Student Jobs

[There are lots of jobs on campus](#)—part-time and full-time—plus opportunities off campus like childcare positions and internships through GaelLink. Stay posted for details on the job fair Oct. 4.

## Social Media

Connect with current and future Gaels for more information and updates. Follow Saint Mary's on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Snapchat](#), and [Instagram](#), and be sure to tag your posts with [#OMGSMC](#) or mention [@stmarysca](#).



Join the Facebook group of your class:

- [Class of 2018](#)
- [Class of 2019](#)
- [Class of 2020](#)

Even more questions? Contact the Office of New Student and Family Programs at (925) 631-4647 or [orientation@stmarys-ca.edu](mailto:orientation@stmarys-ca.edu).